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Bridgeville, DE 19933

New Year – New Newsletter!  
Welcome to our new version of  
the Journal!



## March 6, 2021 Election

The Bridgeville Municipal Election will be held on **Saturday, March 6, 2021**. Notices for the solicitation of candidates will be published by January 15. The Bridgeville Commissioners have established five Election Voting Districts for Municipal Elections. This year Districts #4 and #5 will vote for a candidate from their district to represent them on the Commission for a two-year term. If you are uncertain of your district, a voting district map is available for review at Bridgeville Town Hall and [Bridgeville.delaware.gov](http://Bridgeville.delaware.gov).

### As a reminder:

#### The following qualifications apply to all candidates:

(1) U.S. Citizen at least 21 years of age on or before the Election date; (2) Bridgeville Resident and Registered Voter in the Municipality for at least one year immediately preceding Election date; (3) Registered Voter in the State of Delaware; (4) Live within the Election Voting District they wish to represent; (5) Not convicted of a Felony. Prospective candidates must file a written letter of intent with the Commission President or Secretary, along with other filing requirements, by 4:30 PM on February 8, 2021.

#### The following qualifications apply to all voters:

Every U.S. citizen who is at least eighteen years of age and has resided in Bridgeville at least thirty days shall have one vote in his/her Voting District Election, provided he/she has registered on the "Books of Registered Voters" of the Town of Bridgeville and is a registered voter in the State of Delaware. A person may register at the Town Hall Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Please call in advance. No person registered after the close of business on February 24, 2021, shall be allowed to vote in the 2021 Municipal Election.

**Absentee Balloting** will be available for this election from February 19 through noon on March 5 at the Bridgeville Town Hall, 101 N. Main St.

For any questions, please contact Town Hall at (302) 337-7135 or at [twnofbridgeville@gmail.com](mailto:twnofbridgeville@gmail.com).

## COVID-19 Related Updates

As COVID-19 has continued to spread, Town Hall will continue to be closed to the public to ensure residents' and staff's health and safety. **However, – you can still reach us.** Call us at (302) 337-7135 or email at [twnofbridgeville@gmail.com](mailto:twnofbridgeville@gmail.com), and we will get back to you as quickly as possible. Appointments can be made for special circumstances on an as-needed basis.

Check our website and social media pages for updates often.

**For payment options** – payments may be mailed (please allow time for delivery), placed in the black drop box by the back door of Town Hall, or made online at [Bridgeville.delaware.gov](http://Bridgeville.delaware.gov). Payments must be received by the due date to avoid interest. If you have difficulty paying because of COVID-19 (extreme illness, prolonged lack of work, etc.), please contact Town Hall to discuss payment arrangement options.

## From the Desk of the Chief of Police:

In light of the recent rash of thefts in late 2020 – the Bridgeville Police Department would like to remind you to keep your vehicles, homes, and outbuildings locked. Don't tempt a thief – hide your stuff! Valuable or personal items should not be left in vehicles or near windows. If unavoidable, they should be hidden from sight in your glove box, under seats, or in your trunk. If your home or vehicle is broken into, please make sure to report it to the police. These events often happen in batches, and every report and piece of evidence helps to apprehend a suspect quickly.

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**Instagram** [Town\\_Of\\_Bridgeville](https://www.instagram.com/Town_Of_Bridgeville)

And also **Nextdoor**



Commission Meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at 7:00 PM.  
Commission Workshops are held on the last Monday of every month at 5:00 PM.

Virtual meeting links and supporting documentation can be found with each agenda posted on our website one week prior, at [bridgeville.delaware.gov](http://bridgeville.delaware.gov).



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HERE**

## Bridgeville Public Library

**Operating Hours-** Monday and Friday 10 AM-5 PM, Tuesday through Thursday 10 AM-7 PM, Saturday 10 AM-2 PM, Sunday-closed.

**Library E-services-** Use Delaware Libraries online services from the comfort of your home! You can access eBooks, eMagazines, and more for free with your library card. Go to <https://lib.de.us/emedial/> for more information.

**Brainfuse-** this program provides a variety of online tutoring and learning support tools. Cardholders for the Bridgeville, Seaford, Laurel, and Delmar libraries can access Brainfuse for free.

**Grab-N-Go Craft Bags-** for preschoolers and school-age children are available in the library.

**Caterpillar Clubhouse-** Baby Story Time with Miss Kathy is on Facebook every Wednesday at 10 AM.

**Story Time-** video sessions with Miss Kathy are shared on our Facebook page every Tuesday at 11 AM.

**Sussex County Reads-** The 2021 winter reading program runs from January 1 -February 28. Participants may register on Beanstack by visiting: <https://sussexcountyde.beanstack.org> or by downloading the Beanstack app.

**Find these Streets!** Did you know? The largest groupings of street names in Bridgeville honor local historical figures, trees, and ducks! Take a break and

### Bridgeville Street Names

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S R W V A D E C R H X W C F A C C S  
R A K P I N E C H C A W W X H E A P  
E A Q C N N K L H A S R I X H D N R  
O D I X H L E S A A M B L D A A N U  
G L G L M U A J U W N P I E G R O C  
O W H E R A R E O S A I I R Q E N E  
P A R S W O R C L H S R C O C U O H  
D N K O G O A K H P N E E M N H I N  
S E C O N D O D E L X H X N A S Y N  
A Q L E G E N D S T G A D W A L L R  
G U M Q W A L N U T L A V L A W S Z

Puzzle Word List:

CHURCH  
CANNON  
SPRUCE  
JOHN  
LAWS  
JACOBS  
HARLEQUIN  
LEGENDS  
VINE

BIRCH  
MAIN  
OAK  
WALNUT  
EDGEWOOD  
ELM  
WIDGEON  
CEDAR  
MECHANIC

GUM  
MARKET  
SECOND  
DELAWARE  
SUSSEX  
CHAMPIONS  
GADWALL  
RAILROAD



**Please  
wear a mask.**

Stay Safe. Stay Healthy.

## An Ongoing Message from Sussex County

As part of the Interim Sewer Operations and Transition Agreement between the Town of Bridgeville and Sussex County, Sussex County has been assessing non-residential properties for Equivalent Dwelling Units (EDUs). You may have already seen or met some Sussex County employees during this process, as they inspect the interior and exterior of properties to verify sewer assessment information. If you prefer a scheduled appointment, please call (302) 855-7719. Please note that all Sussex County employees will have appropriate identification and operate marked County vehicles. We currently expect the transition to occur in April 2021 and be completed no later than June.

## We want to hear from you!

Out of the many lessons we've learned from the pandemic – one of the most important has been the value and strength of coming together as a community to get through difficult times. So, we are starting 2021 by identifying areas of possible improvement – and that starts with you. Is there missing information you'd like to see featured in our newsletter? Do you have ideas for the community? We want to hear your positive and creative thoughts! Please write to us at [townofbridgeville@gmail.com](mailto:townofbridgeville@gmail.com) and be a part of the change you want to see.

## Winter Weather Reminders

**Snow:** Snow/ice must be removed within twenty-four (24) hours of it ceasing to accumulate, according to Town Code. The owner or occupant of any building or lot abutting a public sidewalk is responsible for keeping it clear of snow/ice. Additionally, for your letter carrier to provide you with uninterrupted service, residents must clear the approach to their mailbox.

**Snow Plowing / Salting of Roads:** When the snow begins to fall, residents having access to their yard from an alleyway must park their vehicles there. If a driveway does not exist, all residents must move vehicles to the even-numbered (house numbers) side of the street. When the odd-numbered side of the street has been cleared of snow/ice, residents must move vehicles to the street's odd-numbered side.

**Please use ice melt on sidewalks instead of salt. If you are out of town for an extended period during the winter months, you must make arrangements for your sidewalks to be shoveled in your absence.**

## Important dates

**January 11** - Economic Development Meeting

**5 PM - Zoom Only**

**January 11** - Commission Meeting

**7 PM - Zoom Only**

**January 18** - **Town Hall Closed** – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

**January 19** - Planning and Zoning

**6 PM - Library/Zoom**

**January 25** - W&S Bills Due

**January 25** - Commission Workshop

**5 PM - Zoom Only**

### Contact Information

Town Hall: (302) 337-7135 Fax: (302) 337-7817  
**For After Hour Emergencies please call the  
Police Dept.**

**Police Department:**(302) 337-8302

**Non-Emergency:**(302) 337-8305

Fax: (302) 337-8359

**Bridgeville Fire Dept.** (302) 337-7272

**Fire, Ambulance, Police: 911**

**State Police, Troop 5** (302) 337-1090

**Sussex County:** (302) 855-7700

**Bridgeville Public Library:** (302) 337-7401